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Volk Field dedicates air traffic control tower

The Wisconsin Air National Guard will dedicate its newest facility improvement, the new Air Traffic Control (ATC) Tower at Volk Field, Camp Douglas, Wis., Friday [April 2] at 2 p.m.

The \$3.8-million facility replaces a 1950's vintage control tower and provides visibility to all areas of the airfield and all portions of normal and emergency approach patterns for all types of aircraft. It also serves as the primary communications hub for the deployed unit exercise area at the base.

Air traffic controllers using the facility are responsible for both civilian and military aircraft movements in the Volk Field airspace within a five-mile radius.

Participants in Friday's dedication will be Gov. Jim Doyle, Lt. Gen. H. Steven Blum, chief of the National Guard Bureau in Washington, D. C., Maj. Gen. Al Wilkening, Adjutant General of Wisconsin, and Col. Gunther Neumann, Volk Field base commander.

The ceremony begins at 2 p.m., and is open to the public.

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Note to Editors and News Directors: News media are welcome to cover the Volk Field Air Traffic Control Tower dedication at 2 p.m. Friday, April 2.

News media organizations wishing to cover the Volk Field event should call Lt. Col. Tim Donovan 608-242-3050 or Cell 608-516-1777) so arrangements can be made for access to the military installation.

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